

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Jack A. Zeineh et al.

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Examiner: Carolyn L. Smith

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN OPTIMAL IMAGE OF A MICROSCOPE SLIDE

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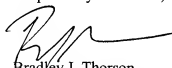
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE  
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), an extension of time of two (2) months (from December 2, 2008 to February 2, 2009) within which to respond to the Office Action dated September 2, 2008 is requested. Electronic payment is submitted by credit card to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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